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Dear Josh:

Thank you for your letter of November 2h and for the mailing list. I will send the list to Stanford according to your instructions.

I have received a few strains from Esther (I guess) and I hope to test them as soon as I will be back in Chile. I am still missing the wild type and the constitutive cryptic, which Monod calls W13011.

Somebody at Harvard tested the ML35, a constitutive cryptie, and found essentially what I found before, that is a "crypticity factor" of 160. Therefore ML is not better in this respect than Kl2. If one considers that a normal constitutive can have a factor as high as 120 it seems necessary to look more carefully into the problem.

With regard to my itinerary, it is very simple: I will stay here until the 17th of this month and them I will return to Santiago. Probably I will be back in Albany at the end of May.

Best luck to Esther and you in your trip,

yours,

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